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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 Twelfth Street, SW Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Connect America Fund; High-Cost Universal Service Support,

WC Docket Nos. 10-90 & 05-337 – Notice of *Ex Parte* Communications

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Tuesday, July 16 and Wednesday, July 17, 2013, Anand Vadapalli, Leonard Steinberg and Richard Cameron of Alaska Communications Systems Group, Inc. ("ACS") and I met with Commissioner Pai, Nick Degani, legal advisor to Commissioner Pai, Priscilla Argeris, legal advisor to Commissioner Rosenworcel, Rebekah Goodheart, legal advisor to Acting Chairwoman Clyburn, and Travis Litman of the Wireline Competition Bureau. The purpose of these meetings was to discuss ACS's proposed changes to the Connect America Model ("CAM") under development by the Wireline Competition Bureau in connection with Phase II of the Connect America Fund ("CAF"), as detailed in the ACS July 9 proposal in the above-captioned proceedings. The enclosed materials were distributed in these meetings. The points that were covered in these meetings are contained in these materials and in the ACS July 9 proposal on file with the Commission.

In addition, on Wednesday, July 17, 2013, Mssrs. Vadapalli, Steinberg and Cameron and I met with Julie Veach, Chief of the Wireline Competition Bureau, and the following Bureau staff: Carol Mattey, Steve Rosenberg, Amy Bender, Alex Minard, Katie King, Talmage Cox, Mike Jacobs and Dania Ayoubi. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the ACS July 9 proposal and the transition from Phase I to Phase II of the Connect America Fund ("CAF"). ACS reiterated its intent to file additional detail concerning its operations and its July 9 proposal in a subsequent filing.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Letter to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, from Leonard A. Steinberg, ACS, in WC Docket Nos. 10-90 & 05-337 (filed July 9, 2013).

Please direct any questions regarding this matter to me.

Very truly yours,

/s/

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## Enclosure

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